

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Previously Amended) A method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle comprising the steps of:

stacking a sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring; and

vibrating the sonic horn such that the trim ring and the headliner bond and weld together in at least one weld area.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 1, wherein said method further comprising includes the step of providing a nest and ~~wherein~~ said step of stacking the sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring occurs on the nest such that the trim ring, the headliner, and the sonic horn are supported by the nest.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of vibrating the sonic horn such that the trim ring and the headliner bond and weld together in at least one weld area ~~creates numerous~~ includes a plurality of weld areas around perimeter of said disposed along the trim ring.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 1, wherein said ~~step of stacking the trim ring, the headliner, and a sonic horn~~ method further comprises including includes the step of providing at least one energy director between the trim ring and the headliner.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 4, wherein ~~said energy directors are comprised of~~ the at least one energy director includes plastic.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 1, wherein the vehicle includes a body and said method further comprising includes the step of ~~fastening the headliner to a sunroof bracket with fasteners~~ stacking at least one fastener above the headliner in the at least one weld area to fasten the headliner to the body of the vehicle.

7. (Previously Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle as set forth in claim 1, wherein said step of stacking the sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring further includes positioning the headliner between the sonic horn and the trim ring.

9. (Cancelled)

10. (New) A method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle including a body, said method comprising the steps of:

stacking a sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring;

providing a nest wherein said step of stacking the sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring occurs on the nest such that the trim ring, the headliner, and the sonic horn are supported by the nest;

providing at least one energy director between the trim ring and the headliner;

vibrating the sonic horn such that the trim ring and the headliner bond and weld together in at least one weld area; and

stacking at least one fastener above the headliner in the at least one weld area to fasten the headliner to the body of the vehicle.